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SUBJECT: ICFTU AND WCL APPEAL FOR CEASE-FIRE IN SOUTH VIETNAM

1. SUMMARY: ON JANUARY 22 THE INTERNATIONAL CONFEDERATION OF FREE TRADE UNIONS (ICFTU) AND THE WORLD CONFEDERATION OF LABOR (WCL) ISSUED A JOINT PRESS COMMUNIQUE CALLING FOR A CEASE-FIRE IN SOUTH VIETNAM AND URGING "ALL INTERESTED POWERS TO SECURE THE RESPECT OF THE PARIS PEACE AGREEMENT." THE TEXT OF THE COMMUNIQUE IS TRANSMITTED HERewith:  
END SUMMARY.

2. BEGIN TEXT: " IN SPITE OF THE PARIS PEACE AGREEMENT SOLEMNLY ENTERED INTO BY ALL THE PARTIES CONCERNED, FIGHTING IN SOUTH VIETNAM NOT ONLY CONTINUES BUT IS IN FACT INTENSIFIED, RESULTING IN DEATH AND FURTHER DEVASTATION. ALL HOPE OF REBUILDING VIETNAM WHICH THE PEACE AGREEMENTS SEEMED TO JUSTIFY IS SHATTERED. IT IS AGAIN THE COMMON PEOPLE, THE WORKING MEN THAT SUFFER MOST, WHO ARE DRIVEN FROM THEIR HOMES, WHOSE FAMILIES ARE  
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TORN ASUNDER, THEIR HARVESTS DESTROYED AND THEIR

LIVES LOST.

"WHAT SENSE DOES ALL THIS FIGHTING AND DESTRUCTION  
MAKE? WHAT OBJECTIVE IS WORTH THIS PRICE?  
IN THE NAME OF COMMON HUMANITY, THE ICFTU AND THE WCL  
STRONGLY APPEAL FOR A STOP TO THE SENSELESS SLAUGHTER  
AND A RETURN TO SANE METHODS OF SETTLING PROBLEMS.  
THE ICFTU AND THE WCL INSIST THAT GENUINE OPPORTUNITY  
MUST BE GIVEN TO THE PEOPLE TO DETERMINE DEMOCRATICALLY  
HOW THEY WANT TO BE GOVERNED, AND FIRMLY CONDEMN THE  
USE OF FORCE AND VIOLENCE AS WELL AS ANY OTHER METHODS  
OF COERCION BY WHATEVER QUARTER TO IMPOSE ANY KIND  
OF REGIME ON THE PEOPLE.

". SUPPORTING THE RESOLUTION PASSED IN THE LAST CONVENTION  
OF THE C.V.T. (VIETNAMESE CONFEDERATION OF LABOUR),  
THE ICFTU AND WCL URGE ALL SIGNATORIES OF THE  
PARIS AGREEMENT TO ADOPT ALL NECESSARY MEASURES TO  
STOP IMMEDIATELY THE WAR RAGING AGAIN ON THE TERRITORY  
OF SOUTH VIETNAM AND DAMAGING SO BRUTALLY THE GOODS  
AND LIVES OF INNOCENT CIVILIAN POPULATIONS." END TEXT.  
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